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### **Purpose and Audience:**

The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing invites the public to comment on the proposed waiver amendments to the following Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waivers: Persons with Brain Injury (BI), Children's Home and Community Based Services (CHCBS), Children with a Life-Limiting Illness (CLLI), Community Mental Health Supports (CMHS), Persons who are Elderly, Blind and Disabled (EBD), and Persons with Spinal Cord Injury (SCI).

### **Information:**

The Department intends to submit the amendments to the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The Department will request an effective date of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 for these amendments.

The proposed waiver amendments include the following changes:

- Community Choice Transition (CCT)- New Services (BI, CMHS, EBD, SCI)
- Case Manager (CM)/Case Management Agency (CMA) Qualification Criteria (BI, CHCBS, CLLI, CMHS, EBD, SCI)
- Home Modification Update to Durable Medical Equipment (DME) (CMHS, SCI)
- Post Payment Review (BI, CHCBS, CLLI, CMHS, EBD, SCI)
- Replacement of Dear Administrators Letter (DAL) language (BI, CHCBS, CLLI, CMHS, EBD, SCI)
- Adult Day language update (CMHS, EBD, SCI)
- Consolidated Reporting (CMHS)
- Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) Activities language including adding

- Performance Measures (PM) (CMHS, SCI)
- Public Conveyance addition to Non-Medical Transportation and adding a contracted Administrative Services Organization (ASO) Performance Measure (PM) to monitor the contracted entity (BI, CMHS, EBD, SCI)
  - Reserved Capacity removal (BI)
  - SLP Rate Acuity Tool (BI)
  - Respite Service Update (CLLI)

For a more detailed summary of all changes, please go to the Department's website at <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/hcbs-waiver-transition> to view the full draft waiver amendment fact sheet. You may also obtain a paper or electronic copy by calling 303-866-3684 or by writing or visiting the Department at 1570 Grant St, Denver, CO 80203.

The public comment period will be open for 30 days, from **September 15<sup>th</sup> through October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

**Attachments:**

None

**Department Contact:**

Comments should be submitted to the Department through the following routes:

1. By Email: [LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us](mailto:LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us) (subject line: HCBS Waiver Amendments)
2. By Phone: 303-866-3684
3. By US Mail: Attention: HCBS Waiver Amendments, 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203
4. By Fax: Attention: HCBS Waiver Amendments 303-866-2786